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Customer No. 22,852
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Jerome F. HAYES *et al.*) Group Art Unit: 1625
Application No.: 09/787,256)
Filed: March 16, 2001) Examiner: B. Dentz
For: PROCESS FOR THE)
PRODUCTION OF A)
NAPHTHYRIDINE CARBOXYLIC)
ACID DERIVATIVE)
(METHANESULFONATE)
SESQUIHYDRATE))

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

**AMENDMENT AND
REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

In response to the Office action mailed March 8, 2004, Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks in this request for reconsideration. This response is due by June 8, 2004, and is timely filed.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

Remarks follow the amendment.